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SUBJECT: GOA UPSET OVER MALVINAS ISSUE

1. AFTER THREE-HOUR MEETING JANUARY 2 AMONG PRESIDENT, MINISTERS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE AND THE THREE ARMED FORCES COMMANDERS, FOREIGN MINISTRY ISSUED COMMUNIQUE STRONGLY REITERATING ARGENTINA'S POSITION WITH RESPECT TO MALVINAS ISLANDS AND ACCUSING HMG OF UNILATERALLY SABOTAGING NEGOTIATIONS CALLED FOR BY UN. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, BRITISH AMBASSADOR HERE LAST WEEK TOLD FOREIGN MINISTER ARAUZ-CASTEX THAT HMG DEFINITELY WILL NOT REPEAT NOT ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS AT THIS TIME.

2. HEIGHTENED ARGENTINE CONCERN CLEARLY TOUCHED OFF BY ARRIVAL AT PORT STANLEY JANUARY 3 OF SHACKLETON MISSION, WHICH WILL EXAMINE POSSIBILITIES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF ISLANDS, PARTICULARLY WITH RESPECT TO OFF-SHORE PETROLEUM.

3. COMMENT: GOA DOUBTLESS WELCOMES OPPORTUNITY TO DIVERT ATTENTION FROM CHAOTIC DOMESTIC SCENE. ARGENTINES ARE LIKELY TO MAKE FUSS BUT TAKE NO PRECIPITOUS ACTIONS. AT LEAST ONE SENATOR, HOWEVER--SENATOR ALBERTO FONROUGE, CHAIRMAN OF SENATE CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE--IS PUSHING FOR RUPTURE IN

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